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SUBJECT: BRANDT SPEECH TO BERLIN SPD

1. SPD CHAIRMAN BRANDT APPEARED BEFORE BERLIN SPD PARTY CONVENTION SEPT 27 TO URGE REJECTION OF CONCEPT OF STATE-DIRECTED INVESTMENT POLICY. LOOKING TOWARD FEDERAL SPD CONVENTION AT MANNHEIM IN NOVEMBER, BRANDT TOLD BERLINERS PARTY MUST ESCHEW THEORETICAL RHETORIC AND SPEAK IN LANGUAGE AVERAGE MAN CAN UNDERSTAND. HE ALSO URGED PARTY REDUCE MASSES OF PAPER WHICH THREATEN TO ENGULF DELEGATES TO CONVENTION.

2. BRANDT'S WORDS FOUND SYMPATHETIC RESPONSE. DEPUTY BERLIN SPD CHAIRMAN (AND SENATOR FOR FINANCE) REIBSCHLAEGER TOLD DELEGATES PARTY WAS NOT "ACADEMIC OFFICE OF EXPERIMENTATION" BUT HAD RESPONSIBILITIES TO CARRY OUT. SOCIALIST LEFT WING OF BERLIN, WHICH HAD BEEN PUSHING

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FOR POLICY OF INVESTMENT CONTROL, FAILED TO PROMOTE ITS

IDEAS AND ONLY OBTAINED THREE OF TWELVE DELEGATES TO
FEDERAL CONVENTION INSTEAD OF FOUR THEY HAD EXPECTED.

3. LOOKING TO FUTURE, BRANDT EXPRESSED DOUBT THAT SPD
COULD REPEAT ITS 1972 PERFORMANCE IN NEXT YEAR'S ELECTION.
HE HAD WARM WORDS FOR BERLIN AND ITS FUTURE, NOTING
SUCCESES OF QA AND LIKELY BENEFITS FROM CSCE. THESE
COMMENTS PROVOKED ONLY EDITORIAL REACTION TO BRANDT
VISIT, MORGENPOST EDITORIAL WHICH CRITICIZED EX-CHANCELLOR
FORM OFF "COTTON CANDY OF DETENTE"
ON BERLIN POPULACE. GEORGE

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